

SITUATION REPORT NO. 27
INCIDENT NO. 95-04 (FEMA-1050-DR-ND)
DATE: August 22, 1995 **TIME: 3:00 p.m.**

TO: Mike Armstrong, Regional Director
Federal Emergency Management Agency
Denver, Colorado 80225-0267

1. NATURE OF DISASTER: Spring Flood.
2. DEATH AND INJURIES: On August 14, a man was injured when his automobile left ND Highway #57 and went into Devils Lake.
3. DAMAGE: The level of Devils Lake on August 22, 1995, is 1435.40 feet msl.
4. RESOURCES COMMITTED:

LOCAL: No change from previous reports.

STATE: No change from previous reports.

FEDERAL: No change from previous reports.
5. VOLUNTEER ACTIONS: On August 14, a passing motorist rescued the man whose automobile went into Devils Lake.
6. MAJOR ACTIONS: FEMA/State officials closed the Disaster Field Office (DFO) in Jamestown on Friday, August 18, 1995. The Satellite DFO in Devils Lake was closed on Tuesday, August 15, 1995. Questions on projects are to be directed to the ND Division of Emergency Management.

Sargent County officials report city of Forman residents have completed flood cleanup activities. In Forman, repair of telephone line units damaged during the flood is being addressed by U.S. West personnel. Water restrictions in the City of Cogswell continue to be in effect because of flooding to a lift station.

The Devils Lake Basin Interagency Task Force held its third and final meeting on Tuesday, August 15, 1995. The 160 participants reviewed eight action items and 21 solutions. The final draft report is expected to be ready by mid-September. A special committee made up of chairpersons of the task force planning teams will be responsible for initiating follow-up activities regarding task force recommendations.

Public Assistance, FEMA-1050-DR-ND: As of August 22, 1995, a total of 194 applicants have issued a Notice of Interest to the Division of Emergency Management. One hundred forty-six are local governments, five are state agencies, 33 are special districts, and 10 are private non-profit organizations.

There have been 1,740 Disaster Survey Reports (DSR's) submitted to the Disaster Field Office (DFO) for review. The first review has been completed for 1,721 DSR's and they have been sent to the Regional Processing Center in Denver.

Current estimates are that damage repair costs for the emergency management Public Assistance program in the 32 declared counties will total between \$9 and \$10 million dollars. This is a greater dollar figure than for the 1993 flood (about \$7.9 million dollars) and the 1994 flood (about \$4.5 million dollars).

The number of inspection teams has been reduced from six to two. Inspection teams are working on additional sites and reinspection requests.

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program: The application deadline for filing Notice of Interest forms for this program is December 10, 1995. It is expected that about \$1 million dollars will be available to complete projects that could prevent future flood damages within the 32 declared counties.

Disaster Unemployment Assistance, FEMA-1050-DR-ND: As of August 21, 1995, Job Service ND officials reported they have received 3,372 claims for Disaster Unemployment Assistance. One thousand three hundred fifty-nine claims have been processed for payment with 1,855 claims pending. One hundred fifty-eight claims have been denied. Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA) benefits paid so far are \$959,086.00.

7. ASSISTANCE NEEDED: None at this time.
8. OUTSIDE HELP ON SCENE: No change from previous report.
9. OTHER INFORMATION: A State Flood Coordination Center meeting will be conducted by the Division of Emergency Management Operations Officer at 1:30 p.m., Thursday, August 24, 1995 in Devils Lake at the Devils Lake Armory meeting room. Discussion will focus on emergency preparedness measures for the Devils Lake area to be considered between now and next spring.

Signed _____
Douglas C. Friez
State Director